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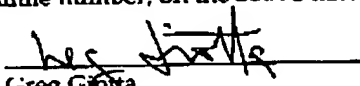
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In re Application)

PATENT APPLICATIONInventor(s): Sylvic Laquerre)
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SC/Serial No.: 09/741, 127)

Examiner: Mosher, M.

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Title: Herpes Simplex Virus 1 Glycoprotein)
C Mutants for Treating Unwanted)
Hyperproliferative Cell Growth)PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In the Office Action dated April 18, 2003, a shortened period for response was set to expire on July 18, 2003. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) the Commissioner for a 1 month extension of time for responding to the Office Action up to and including August 18, 2003.

The amount of the petition fee set by 37 C.F.R. §1.17 (a)(1).

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 15-0615 for any matter in connection with this response, including any fee for extension of time, which may be required. A duplicate copy of this authorization is enclosed.

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The other papers enclosed or associated with this communication include:

[X] A reply to the Office Action mailed April 18, 2003, facsimile transmitted herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: July 21, 2003

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